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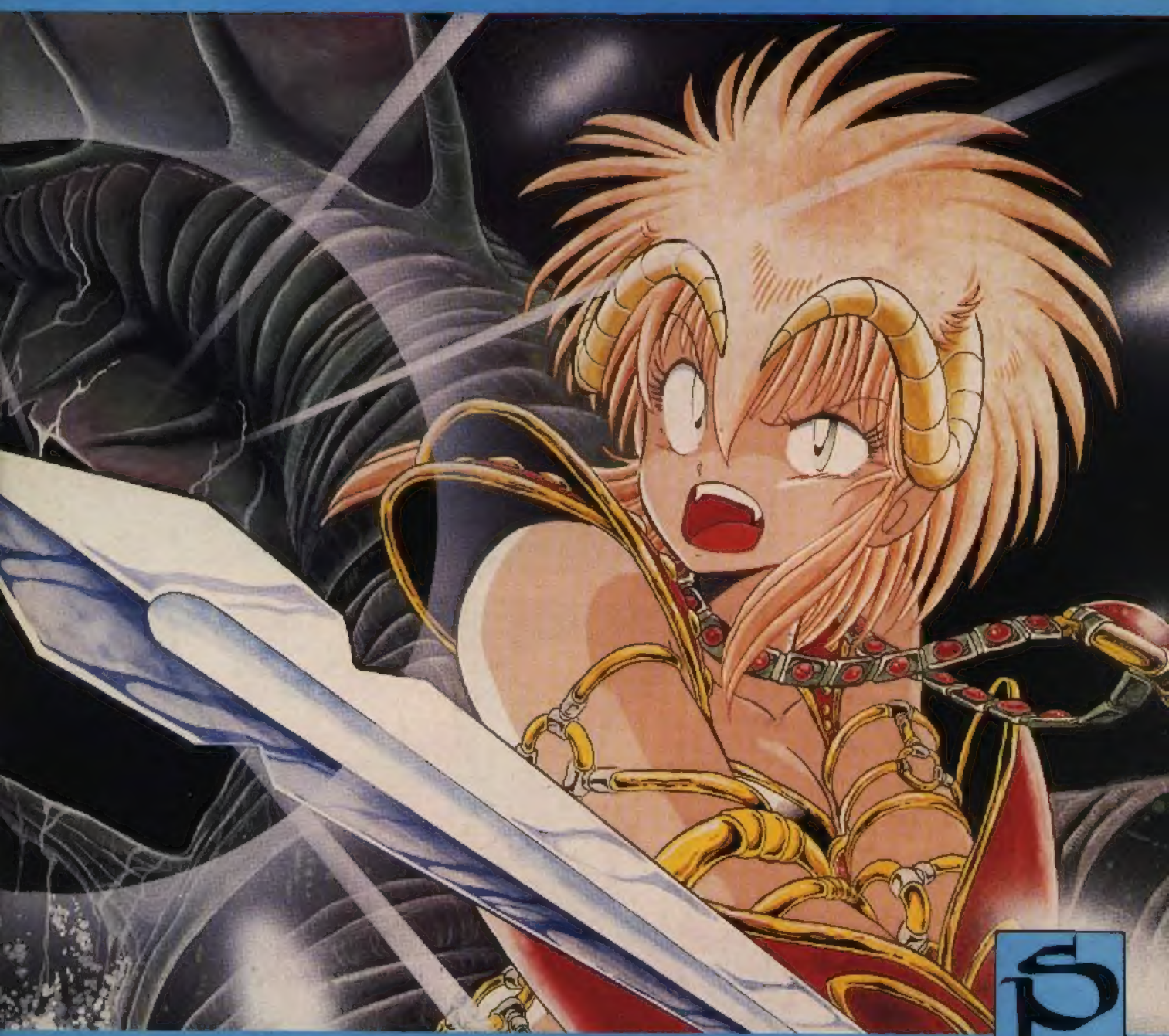

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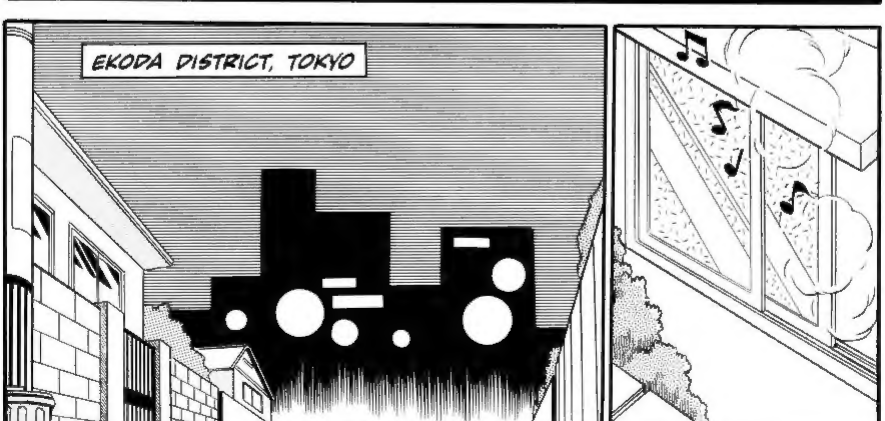

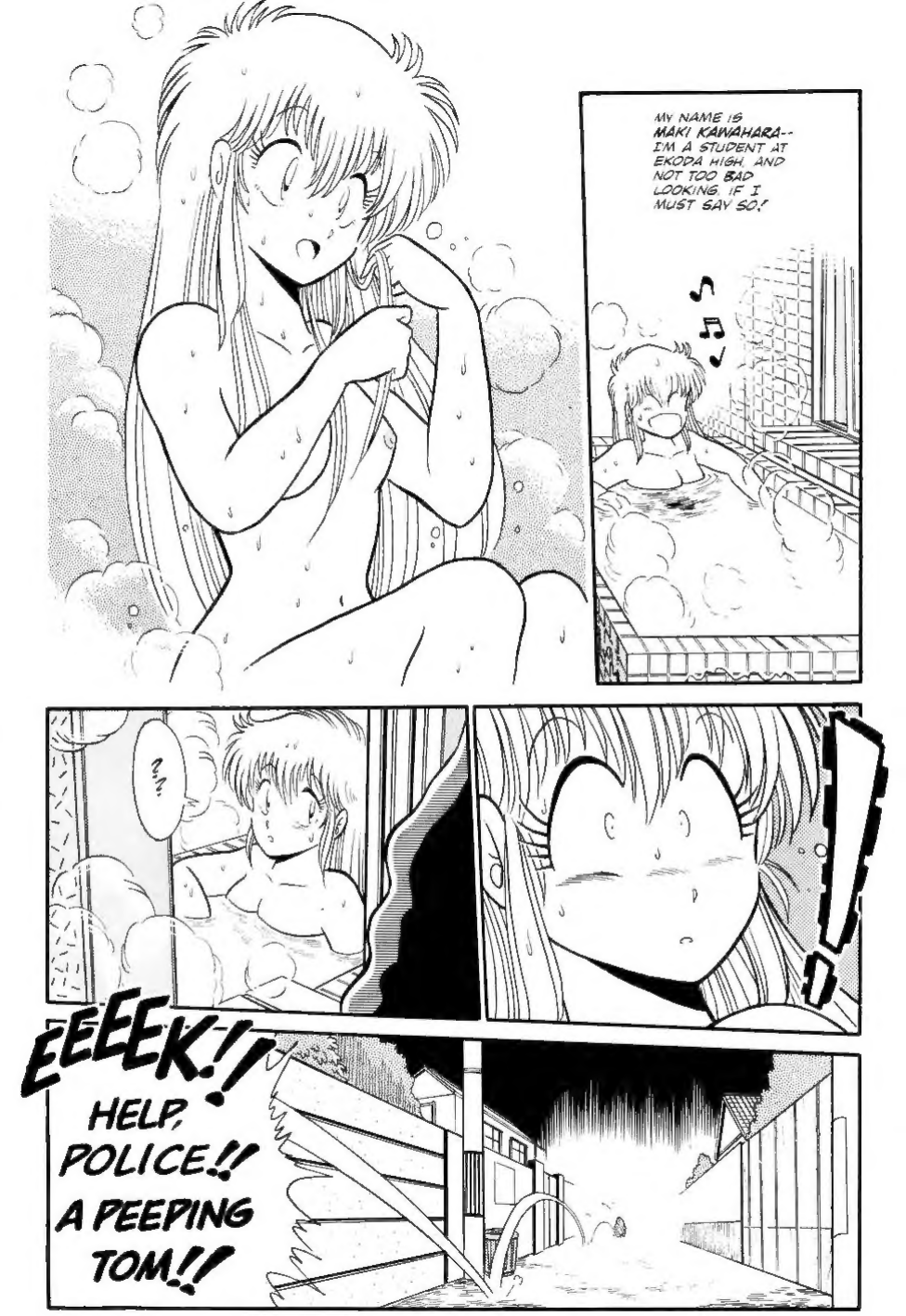
MY NAME IS MAKI KAWAHARA-- I'M A STUDENT AT EKODA HIGH, AND NOT TOO BAD LOOKING, IF I MUST SAY SO!
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EEEEK!!
HELP, POLICE!! A PEEPING TOM!!

SKRASHANGG
UNCLE MYNAME WANTS YOU!!
THAT OUGHT TO TEACH YOU!!
IMAGINE!! SNOOPING ON YOUR OWN GIRLFRIEND'S BATHROOM! HOW SLEAZY CAN YOU GET?!
M-ME...? SPYING ON YOU...?
HOW DO YOU KNOW IT WAS ME?!
WELL, WHO ELSE WOULD DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT?!
GEE, THANKS A LOT SWEET-HEART!!
AND THIS IS MY WONDERFUL BOYFRIEND, TOSHI OKAZAKI.
YOU THINK A PEEPING TOM WOULD WASTE TIME ON YOUR BODY?
OOOH! YOU CREEP! I BET YOU LIKE LITTLE GIRLS!

EKODA HIGH SCHOOL

...SO YOU WERE AT A RESTAURANT WITH YOUR PARENTS? GEE, I GUESS IT COULDN'T HAVE BEEN YOU, THEN.

MAN, YOU'VE SURE GOT A WICKED PUNCH...

HEH HEH HEH

JEEZ...WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO, THEN? I'M REEEBALLY SORRY!

WOW! EEEK!

WHAT THE HELL!

SOME KINDA MOVIE YA THINK?

HMM?

GEE...

WHAT'S UP? WHY'S EVERYBODY JUST STANDING AROUND AT THE GATE?

DUNNO...

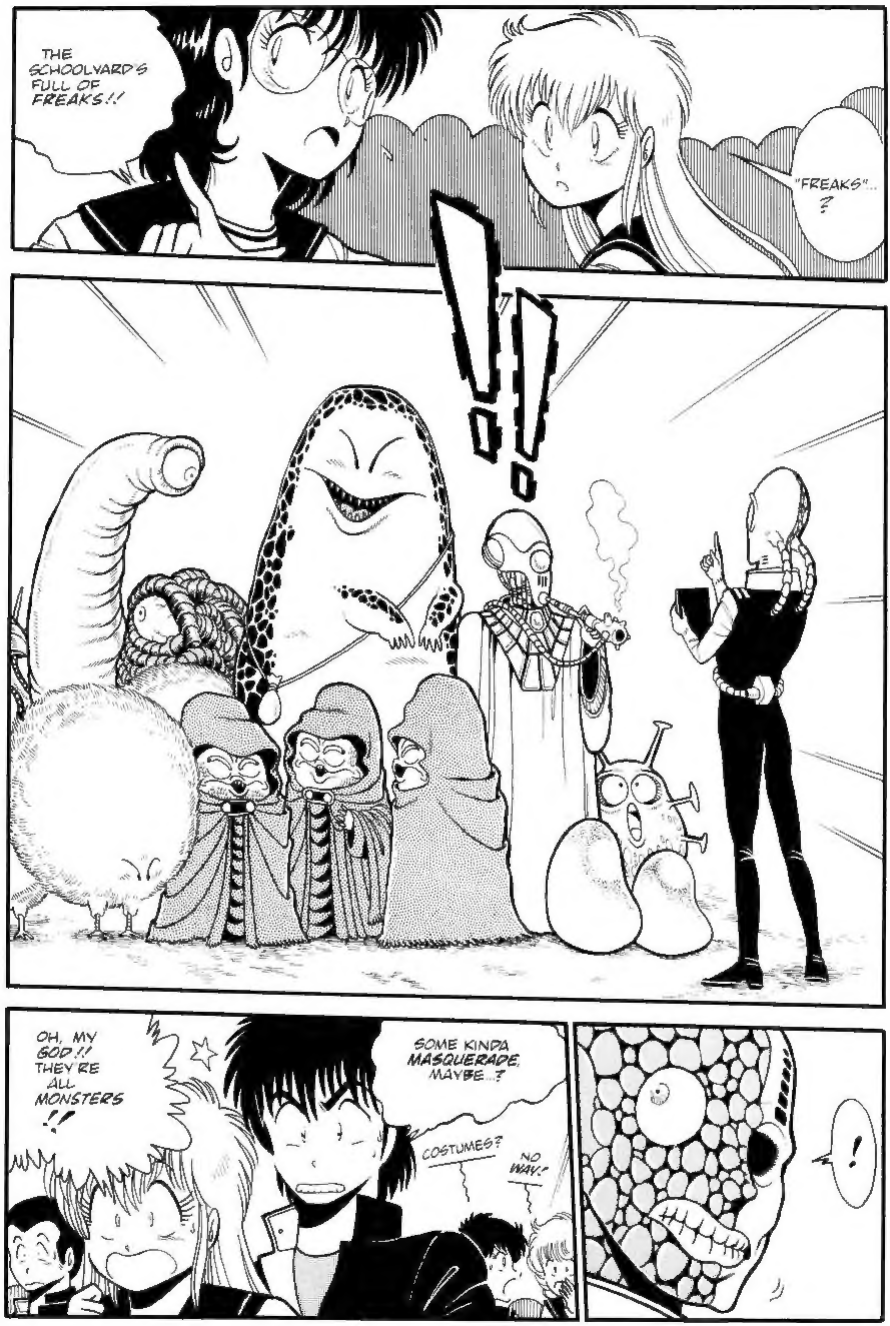
HEY! HEY! WHAT'S GOING ON?

OH MAKI!

IT'S REALLY WEIRD... SCHOOL'S BEEN CANCELLED!

YAHOO!! PARTY TIME!!

NO WAY! THIS IS SUPER MAJOR--COME ON UP AND LOOK!


THE SCHOOLYARD'S FULL OF FREAKS!!
"FREAKS"...?
OH, MY GOD!! THEY'RE ALL MONSTERS!!
SOME KINDA MASQUERADE, MAYBE...?
COSTUMES?
NO WAY!
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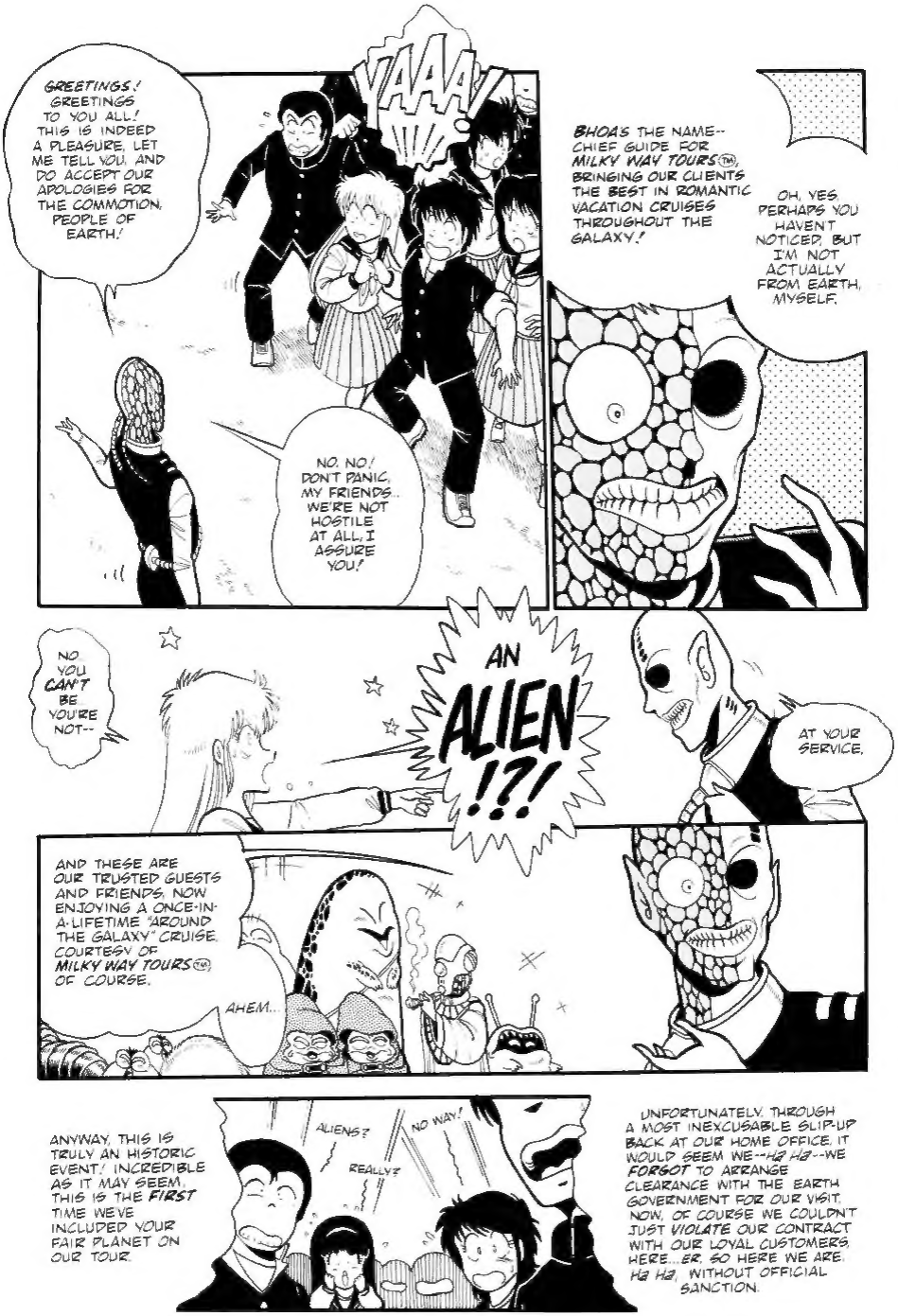

GREETINGS! GREETINGS TO YOU ALL! THIS IS INDEED A PLEASURE. LET ME TELL YOU, AND DO ACCEPT OUR APOLOGIES FOR THE COMMOTION, PEOPLE OF EARTH!
YAAA
NO, NO! DON'T PANIC, MY FRIENDS.. WE'RE NOT HOSTILE AT ALL, I ASSURE YOU!
BHOAS THE NAME--CHIEF GUIDE FOR MILKY WAY TOURS™, BRINGING OUR CLIENTS THE BEST IN ROMANTIC VACATION CRUISES THROUGHOUT THE GALAXY!
OH, YES PERHAPS YOU HAVEN'T NOTICED, BUT I'M NOT ACTUALLY FROM EARTH, MYSELF.
NO YOU CAN'T BE YOU'RE NOT--
AN ALIEN !?!
AT YOUR SERVICE.
AND THESE ARE OUR TRUSTED GUESTS AND FRIENDS, NOW ENJOYING A ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME "AROUND THE GALAXY" CRUISE, COURTESY OF MILKY WAY TOURS™ OF COURSE.
AHEM...
ANYWAY, THIS IS TRULY AN HISTORIC EVENT! INCREDIBLE AS IT MAY SEEM, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'VE INCLUDED YOUR FAIR PLANET ON OUR TOUR.
ALIENS?
NO WAY!
REALLY?
UNFORTUNATELY, THROUGH A MOST INEXCUSABLE SLIP-UP BACK AT OUR HOME OFFICE, IT WOULD SEEM WE--HA HA--WE FORGOT TO ARRANGE CLEARANCE WITH THE EARTH GOVERNMENT FOR OUR VISIT. NOW, OF COURSE WE COULDN'T JUST VIOLATE OUR CONTRACT WITH OUR LOYAL CUSTOMERS, HERE... ER, SO HERE WE ARE, HA HA, WITHOUT OFFICIAL SANCTION.

BUT WE DID SO WANT TO SPEND AT LEAST ONE DAY ON YOUR ILLUSTRIOUS ORB--
--SO WE LANDED HERE LAST NIGHT.
"LANDED"...? LIKE, FROM A FLYING SAUCER?
"SAUCER"...? AH, YOU MEAN OUR SHIP! YES, THEY'LL BE BACK FOR US TONIGHT.
UNTIL THEN, IT WILL WAIT IN GEOSTATIONARY ORBIT.
WOW... SEEMS LIKE HE'S NOT JOKING!
YOU BELIEVE HIM?
YEAH, I GUESS SO, BUT GEEZ, WHAT A CRUMMY "FIRST CONTACT"...!
WHAAAAT!
BY THE WAY, WOULD ANY OF YOU FINE YOUNG LADIES AND GENTLEMEN CARE TO BE OUR LOCAL GUIDES?
WELL, Heh heh... YOU SEE, THIS IS MY FIRST TIME ON EARTH, TOO, AND WELL...
IT JUST SEEMS WISER TO HIRE SOME OF THE LOCALS THIS TIME AROUND, HMM?
ALL RIGHT!
OH, I ASSURE YOU THE LUCKY PERSONS WILL BE HANDSOMELY REWARDED!
WHADDA YA THINK? HE SAYS THEY'LL PAY!
SO YOU DO IT, COWBOY!
OH, GROSS! THEY'RE TOO CREEPY!
YEAH!
MR. BHOA! MR. BHOA, SIR!
YES, GENTLEMEN?

THAT ONE!

WE WANT THAT ONE!!

WHAAT?!

I WANT IT, I WANT IT!

NO, NO, NO NO NO!! WHY ME ?!

HEY! HANDS OFF, YOU LITTLE GNOME!

WELL, NOW... JUST WAIT A MOMENT--AREN'T YOU THE YOUNG LADY WHO POSED FOR OUR GUIDEBOOK?

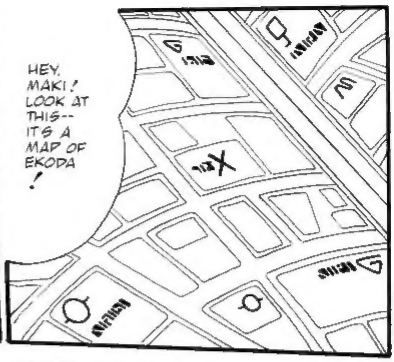
"GUIDEBOOK"... ?

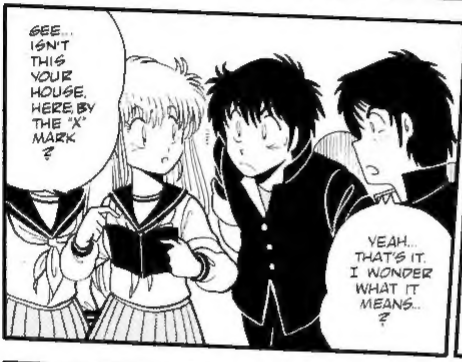
WHY, YES--THIS HERE.

OUR TERRAN BRANCH OFFICE RUSHED IT OUT LAST NIGHT.

IN FACT YOUR HOUSE IS PART OF THE SIGHTSEEING CIRCUIT.

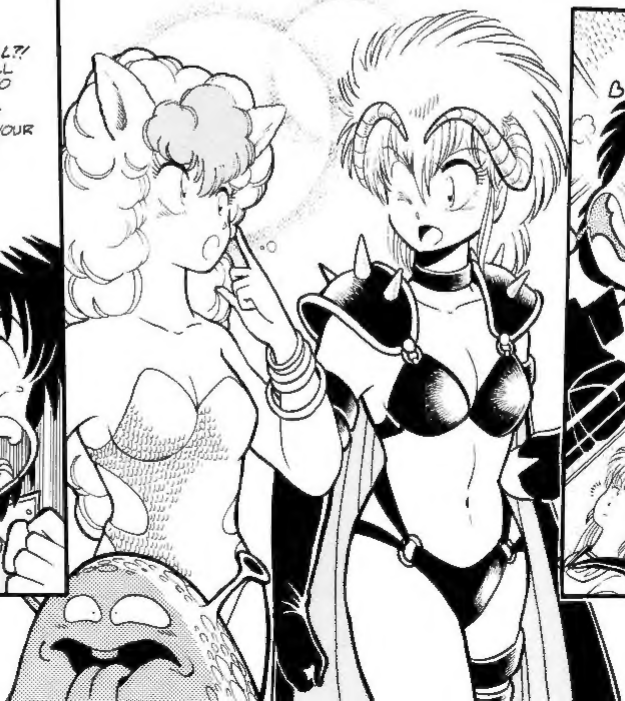
THIS FINE NUBAN GENTLEMAN SEEMS TO HAVE TAKEN QUITE A LIKING TO YOU AFTER LAST NIGHT. Ha Ha Ha.!
SO IT WAS YOU SPYING ON ME LAST NIGHT ?!!


HEY, MAKI! LOOK AT THIS-- IT'S A MAP OF EKODA!


SEE... ISN'T THIS YOUR HOUSE, HERE, BY THE "X" MARK ?
YEAH... THAT'S IT. I WONDER WHAT IT MEANS.. ?

LET ME SEE...AH YES! YOUR HOUSE CONTAINS THE DESIGNATED TOILET FACILITIES FOR OUR HONORED CUSTOMERS...

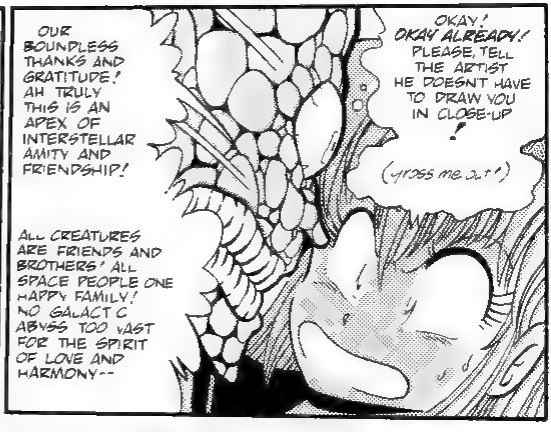
WHAT THE HELL?! AND YOU STILL EXPECT ME TO WORK AS A TOUR GUIDE FOR YOU AND YOUR BUNCH OF CREEPY--

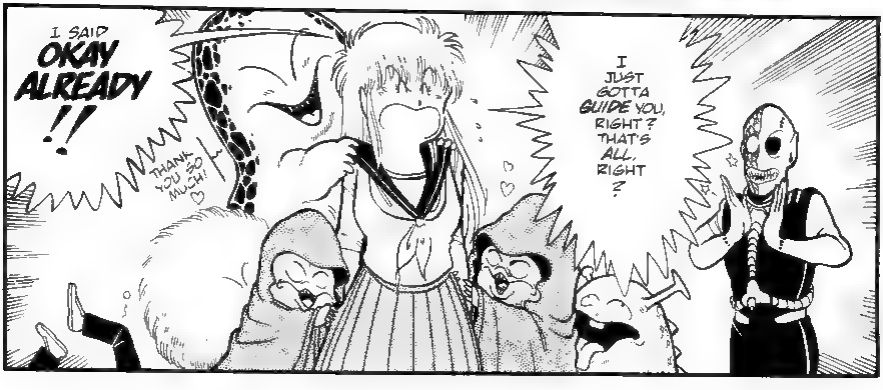


HOT DAMN!

I'LL DO--
WHOK
OH, LET ME DO IT! I'D LOVE TO!

YAHOO!
OH NO! I ACTUALLY SAID IT!


OUR BOUNDLESS THANKS AND GRATITUDE! AH TRULY THIS IS AN APEX OF INTERSTELLAR AMITY AND FRIENDSHIP!
ALL CREATURES ARE FRIENDS AND BROTHERS! ALL SPACE PEOPLE ONE HAPPY FAMILY! NO GALACTIC ABYSS TOO VAST FOR THE SPIRIT OF LOVE AND HARMONY--
OKAY! OKAY ALREADY! PLEASE, TELL THE ARTIST HE DOESN'T HAVE TO DRAW YOU IN CLOSE-UP!
(gross me out!)


I SAID OKAY ALREADY!!
THANK YOU SO MUCH!
I JUST GOTTA GUIDE YOU, RIGHT? THAT'S ALL, RIGHT?

AND SO, THAT'S HOW I ENDED UP SHOWING A BUNCH OF ALIENS AROUND EKODA FOR A DAY.
JUST HOW IS IT WE CAN UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER, ANYWAY?
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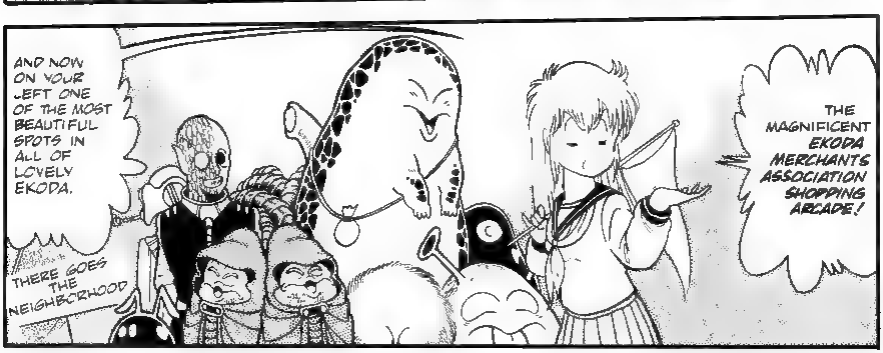
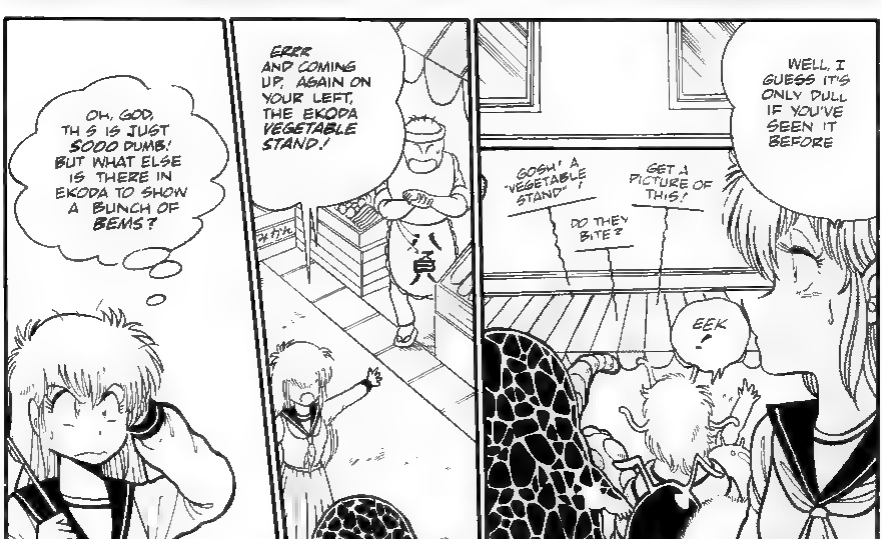

AND NOW ON YOUR LEFT ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL SPOTS IN ALL OF LOVELY EKODA.
THERE GOES THE NEIGHBORHOOD
THE MAGNIFICENT EKODA MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION SHOPPING ARCADE!


OH, GOD, TH S IS JUST SOOO DUMB! BUT WHAT ELSE IS THERE IN EKODA TO SHOW A BUNCH OF BEMS?
ERRR AND COMING UP, AGAIN ON YOUR LEFT, THE EKODA VEGETABLE STAND!
GOSH! A "VEGETABLE STAND"!
DO THEY BITE?
GET A PICTURE OF THIS!
WELL, I GUESS IT'S ONLY DULL IF YOU'VE SEEN IT BEFORE
EEK!

YOU'RE IN THE RED?

YES, I'M AFRAID IT'S THE SAD TRUTH. OUR RIVALS HAVE SOUNDLY BEATEN US WITH A BOFFO AD CAMPAIGN--

--AND WE'VE BEEN LOSING CUSTOMERS EVER SINCE WE'VE TRIED EVERYTHING WE CAN THINK OF TO GET THEM BACK AGAIN. BUT YOU KNOW, THAT'S BUSINESS

GEE TOUGH LUCK, HMM?

HERE YOU GO, LADIES! THESE ARE CALLED "SOFT ICE CREAM CONES"!

PRETTY GOOD, HUH? WELL?

MMMM!

OH THANK YOU!

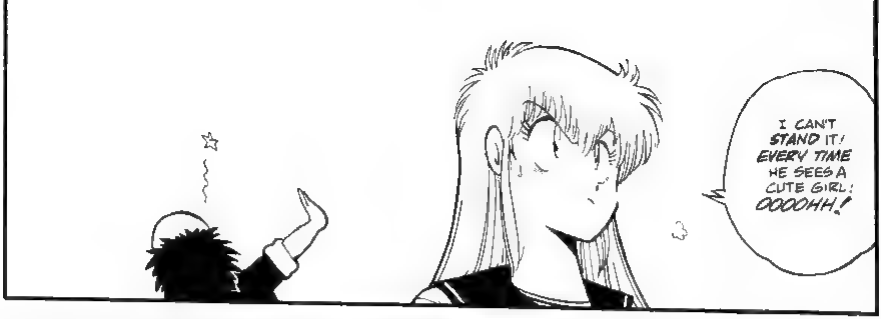
TOSHI!!

GEEZ, WHAT'D YOU DO THAT FOR, HUH?!

AS A TOUR GUIDE, I WANT YOU TO EASE UP A LITTLE ON THE "PERSONAL SERVICE", OKAY?!

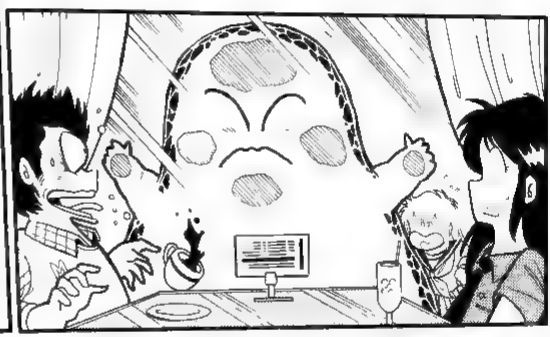
LOOK, I WAS JUST TRYING TO PROMOTE INTERSTELLAR PEACE AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS--

I KNOW WHAT KIND OF "RELATIONS" YOU HAD IN MIND, YOU LYING LECHER!!


I CAN'T STAND IT! EVERY TIME HE SEES A CUTE GIRL: OOOOHH!

YAHOO! WOW!!
THESE'LL MAKE GREAT SOUVENIRS!
HEY, HOLD IT! YOU HAVE TO PAY FOR THOSE!
WHAT'S THIS?

SAY "CHEESE"



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LEMON PEOPLE
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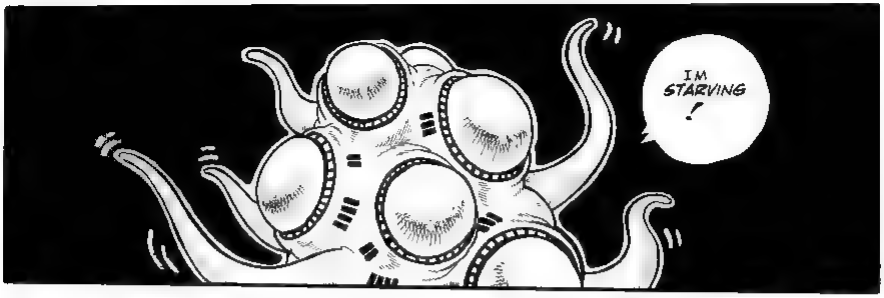
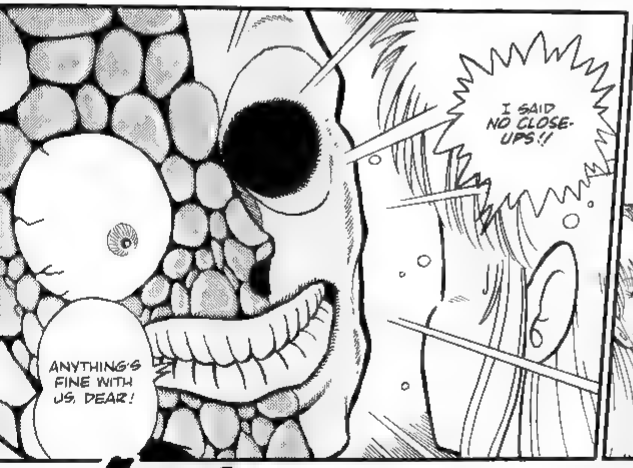
Predator
MODEL KIT


I'M STARVING!

SEE THAT THING'S RIGHT-- IT'S WAY PAST LUNCHTIME AND WE'VE BEEN WALKING FOR HOURS.
WE WANT SOME QUAINT LOCAL EARTH FOODS!

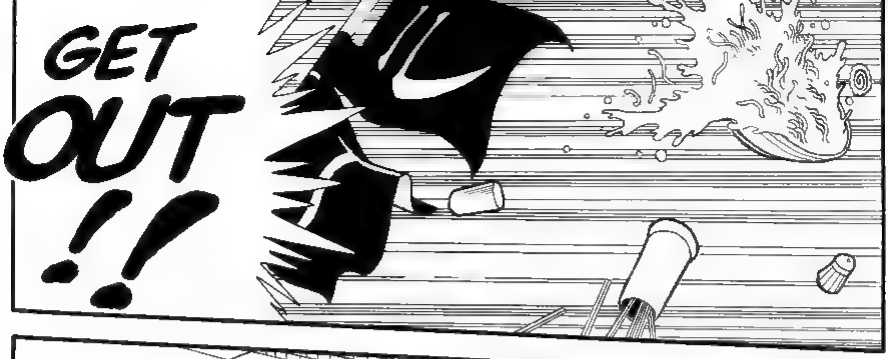
WELL YOU HEARD THEM
WHAT DO YOU THINK MR BHOA?

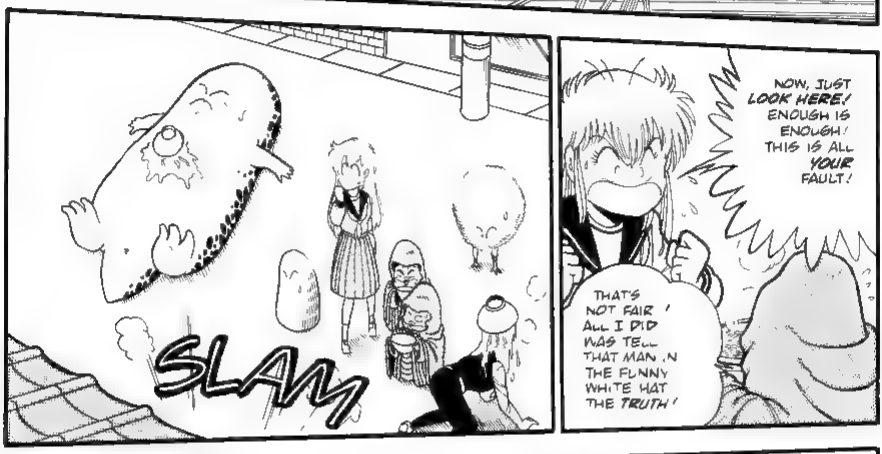

I SAID NO CLOSE-UPS!!
ANYTHING'S FINE WITH US, DEAR!

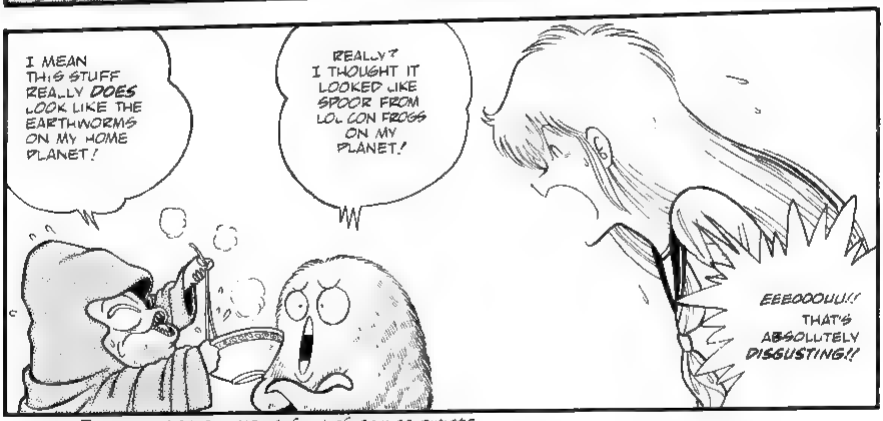
SAY YOU WOULDN'T BE DELIBERATELY TRYING TO SCARE ME, WOULD YOU MR BHOA?
HEM HEM WELL YES I GUESS SO--

HOK

YOUR EARTH WOMEN DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT RESTRAINT..
YEAH, IT'S HELL DOWN HERE, MAN I GOT IT ROUGH.







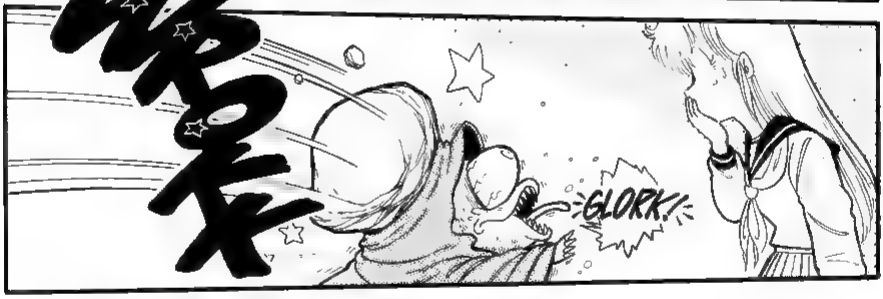
Ramen noodles, the staple food of comics artists..

EXCUSE ME FOR ASK NG, BUT ARE YOU N A LOVE NTERACTION WITH THAT MALE CREATURE OVER THERE ?

HAH! YOU'VE GOT TO BE JOKING! ME, NVOLVED WITH THAT DISGUSTING LOTHARIO? WHY I'D NEVER--

IN THAT CASE HOW ABOUT IT, MY DARLING? LET ME SPIRIT YOU AWAY FROM THIS DISMAL BACKWATER!
SAY WHAT ?!

THE MOMENT I SET EYES UPON YOU, I SWORE I WOULD MAKE YOU MY LIFE COMPANION AHH COME W TH ME MY LOVE!
LET US TRAVEL THE GALAXY AND SPEAK OF OUR SWEET, SWEET FUTURE TOGETHER! THE STARS W LL SING THE JOY OF OUR LOVE!
NOW, NOW JUST HOLD ON A SECOND, HERE! HOW CAN I--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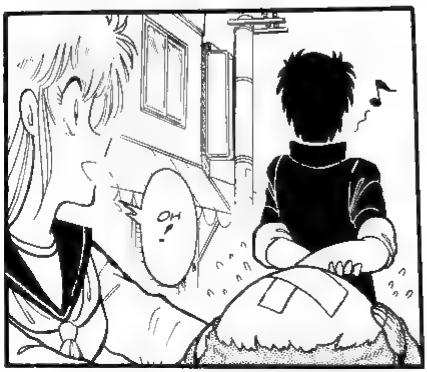
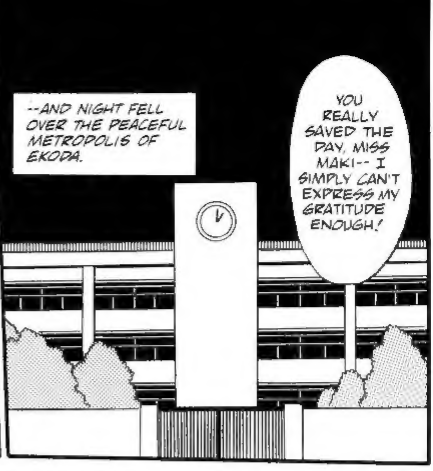
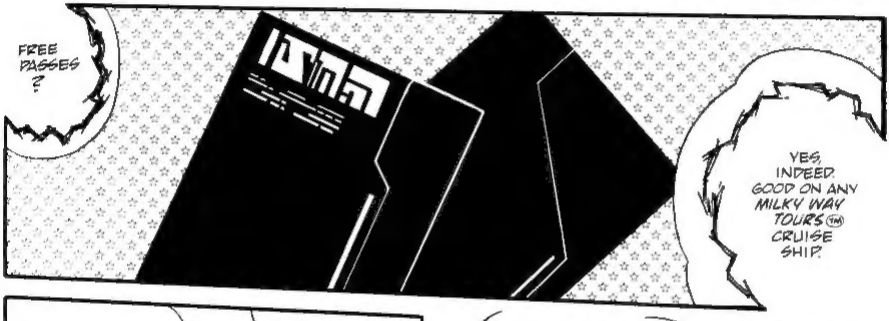

OH!

TOSH!
HE HE REALLY DOES LOVE ME!

AND SO, AMIDST THE HAPPY CHATTER AND LAUGHTER, A LONG BUT UNFORGETTABLE DAY DREW TO AN END--


--AND NIGHT FELL OVER THE PEACEFUL METROPOLIS OF EKODA.
YOU REALLY SAVED THE DAY, MISS MAKI-- I SIMPLY CAN'T EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE ENOUGH!


FREE PASSES?
YES, INDEED. GOOD ON ANY MILKY WAY TOURS™ CRUISE SHIP.

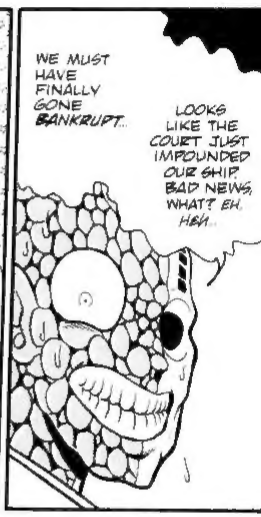
I HOPE YOU'LL ACCEPT THEM IN PLACE OF MONEY. THEY'RE GOOD FOR THE NEXT HUNDRED YEARS...
YOU MEAN, AS LONG AS WE HAVE THESE, WE CAN GO ANYWHERE WE WANT IN THE GALAXY?
LIKE GALAXY EXPRESS 999?

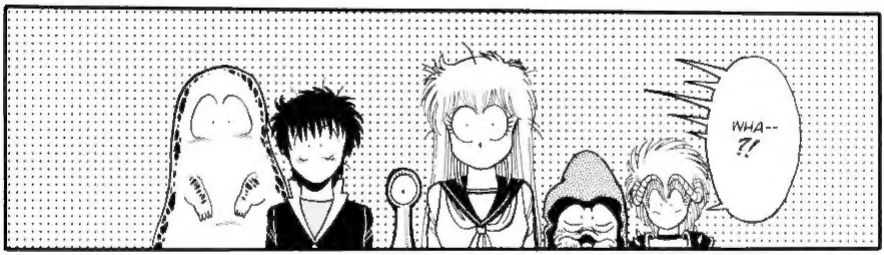
A DATE IN OUTER SPACE, HMM? HOW ROMANTIC...!

OR EVEN A HONEYMOON!!

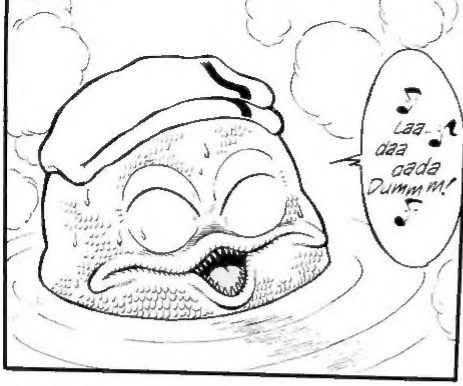
OUR SHIP'S ARRIVED!
EEEK!

MY GOD... INCREDIBLE...
IT'S BEAUTIFUL...!
SOMEDAY, TOSHI AND I...
BEFORE YOU GO, COULD I GET YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER...?





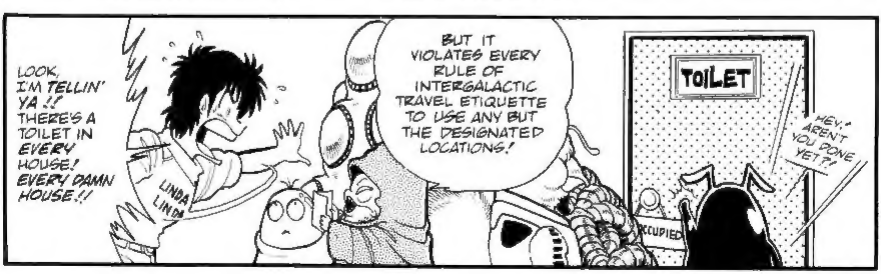
SO, ANYWAY... ALL THOSE ALIEN GUYS DECIDED TO STAY IN EKODA UNTIL A SHIP FROM ANOTHER CRUISE COMPANY COULD SWING BY AND PICK THEM UP.



ACTUALLY, IT SAYS HERE IN THE GUIDEBOOK THAT THIS IS OUR DESIGNATED BATHTUB ON THE PLANET EARTH.

HERE... TAKE A LOOK...

THEN WOULD YOU MIND TAKING YOUR BATH AT A DIFFERENT TIME FROM ME, OKAY?!



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